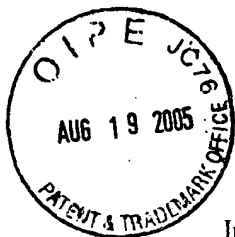


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Further to the Amendment and Election filed August 11, 2005 and prior to examination of the present application on the merits, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Please charge any necessary fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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